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## **Response to First Office Action**

: INORGANIC ION SORBENTS AND METHODS FOR USING THE SAME

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Sir:

## **Introductory Comments**

In response to the Office Action mailed June 19, 2003, reconsider the patentability of the invention in light of those amendments and the remarks that follow. No amendments are offered at this time, however a complete listing of the claims begins on page 2 of this paper.